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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: STEPHEN MOXHAM et al.
 APPLICATION No.: 10/034,924
 FILED: December 26, 2001
 FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
 SUPPORTING MICROELECTRONIC
 SUBSTRATES**

EXAMINER: Alexander O. Williams
 ART UNIT: 2826
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Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please withdraw claims 16, 17, 31, 42, 54, 60, and 62-87, without prejudice to pursuing those claims upon allowance of a generic claim, or in a continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part or other application.

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner requested election of any one of the sets of species of Figures 3A-15.

In response, the applicants elect, without traverse, claims directed to Figures 3A-D (which are different views of the same support members). These claims include claim 1-15, 18-30, 32-41, 43-53, 55-59, and 61. Non-elected claims 16, 17, 31, 42, 54, 60, and 62-87 have been withdrawn.